

plément to the code, 1907, be and the same is hereby repealed, and the following enacted in lieu thereof:

"Prior to the annual convention of the department of agriculture, the state accountant, provided for in section one hundred sixty-one-a (161-a) of the supplement to the code, 1907, shall examine and report upon all financial business of the department of agriculture, said report to be made to the executive council. Such report shall be edited under the direction of the executive council and be published in accordance with the provisions of section one hundred sixty-three (163) of the code and acts amendatory thereof."

Approved February 23, A. D., 1909.

CHAPTER 108.

STATE AID TO COUNTY AND DISTRICT FAIRS.

S. F. 48.

AN ACT to amend the law as it appears in section sixteen hundred and sixty-one-a (1661-a) of the supplement to the code, 1907, relative to state aid to county and district fairs.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. State aid—not to exceed \$300. That the law as it appears in section sixteen hundred and sixty-one-a (1661-a) of the supplement to the code, 1907, be and the same is hereby amended by inserting after the word "premiums" in line eleven (11) the words, "up to five hundred dollars, and ten per cent additional of the amount paid in premiums over five hundred dollars"; and by striking out the word "two" after the word "of" in line twelve (12) and inserting in lieu thereof the word "three".

Approved March 12, A. D. 1909.

CHAPTER 109.

SHORT COURSE IN AGRICULTURE AND DOMESTIC SCIENCE.

H. F. 189.

AN ACT to amend the law as it appears in section sixteen hundred and sixty-one-a (1661-a) and sixteen hundred seventy-five (1675) supplement to the code, 1907, allowing appropriations for a short course in agriculture and domestic science.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Short course—state aid. That section sixteen hundred and sixty-one-a (1661-a) and sixteen hundred seventy-five (1675) of the supplement to the code, 1907, be amended by adding thereto the following:

"Whenever one hundred (100) citizens of any county in the state that does not have a county or district fair, receiving the state aid as above provided, or that in any year may not hold a county fair, shall organize what is known as a 'short course' with a president, secretary, treasurer and executive committee of not less than five members (5) and shall hold a session of four (4) or more days at some place within the county and give a program, designed to promote the science of agriculture and domestic science, said 'short course' organization upon filing with the auditor of state by its president, secretary and treasurer a statement showing what sums it has actually paid out in value for premiums during the period of the short course of that year, together with the certificate of the secretary of the state board of agriculture showing that

it has reported according to law as provided in cases of county and district agricultural societies, shall be entitled to receive from the state treasurer a sum equal to forty per cent of the amount paid in premiums, but in no case shall the amount so received in any county exceed two hundred dollars (\$200). The payment from the state treasury herein provided for shall be made by warrant of the state auditor as soon as due proof is made to him of the holding of said 'short course' as herein provided; and there is hereby appropriated out of any money in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum necessary to pay the amount contemplated in this section.

SEC. 2. Appropriation for farmers' institute payable to "short course," when. All counties not holding a regular farmers' institute and where a short course is held, the money appropriated for such farmers' institute as provided in section 1675 of the supplement of the code, 1907, shall apply and be payable to said 'short course' upon proof of such organization and such 'short course' having been held, being filed with the state board of agriculture by the officers of said short course."

Approved April 5, A. D. 1909.

CHAPTER 110.

FARMERS' INSTITUTES.

S. F. 87.

AN ACT to repeal the law as it appears in section sixteen hundred seventy-five (1675) of the supplement to the code, 1907, relative to farmers' institutes and to enact a substitute therefor.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Repeal—farmers' institutes—state aid—appropriation. That the law as it appears in section sixteen hundred seventy-five (1675) of the supplement to the code, 1907, be and the same is hereby repealed and the following enacted in lieu thereof:

"When forty or more farmers of a county organize a farmers' institute, with a president, secretary, treasurer, and an executive committee of not less than three outside of such officers and hold an institute, remaining in session not less than two days in each year, which institute may be adjourned from time to time and from place to place in said county, the secretary of the state board of agriculture, upon the filing with him a report of such institute and an itemized statement under oath showing that the same has been organized and held and for what purposes the money expended has been used, shall certify the same to the auditor of state, which state auditor shall remit to the county treasurer of such county his warrant for the amount so expended not to exceed seventy-five dollars and there is hereby appropriated out of the moneys in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated, a sum not to exceed seventy-five dollars annually for such institute work in each county. No officer of any such farmers' institute shall receive directly or indirectly any compensation from said fund for said services as such officer. The report provided for in this section shall be filed with the secretary of the state board of agriculture on or before the first day of June of each year. When any institute fails to report on or before the first day of June that institute shall not receive state aid for that year."

Approved April 1, A. D. 1909.